(c) and (d) As the policy is not country specific, the question of taking the matter with US Administration does not arise.

Misuse of staff cars by Officers of ITDC

1606. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Managers and Vice-Presidents of ITDC are using Chauffeur-driven staff cars for self and their families throughout the year without paying any tax for this extraordinary facility to Government;

(b) if so, what are the details of such staff cars being used as on March, 1987;

(c) what are the annual expenses on the running of such staff cars including salary, overtime etc., during the last three years;

(d) whether this facility is in conformity with the guidelines laid down by Government for public sector|Government executives; and

(e) if not, what steps have been taken to make rcoveries from the officials misusing official staff cars?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (MUFTI MOHD. SAYEED): (a) to (e) No, Sir. For achieving operational and administrative efficiency staff cars in ITDC are provided in each division in the corporate office as also in units as per requirement for official use by all the eligible officials. The Senior Vice Presidents and Vice Presidents are permitted the facility of being picked up and dropped from their residence where these are allowed to be parked to save on PCL and dead-milage *vis-a-viz* their parking at the ITDC Garage presently located in Hotel Samrat. There is no provision in the Income Tax Act for deduction of tax for this facility. The respective Head of Division/Unit is the controlling officer of the staff cars attached to the Division|Unit. The use staff cars for personal purposes is allowed on payment which is to be made every month by the user.

(Rs. in lakhs)

Year	Expenses on*	
	Running	Repairs & Maintenance
1983-84	6.92	5.45
1984-95	6.16	9.70
1885-86	6.48	9.60

*Exclusive of salary|wages and other fringe benefits given to the drivers which are booked under the respective accounting head.

Manufacture of atomic bomb by Pakistan

1607. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN:
SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have approached the United States for cutting the flow of foreign aid to Pakistan in terms of Symington Amendment in view of the recent news that Pakistan is already in possession of atomic bomb or getting closer to posses it;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the reaction of the U. S. Government thereto; and

(c) if not, what line of action Government are contemplating to desist the U.S. Government from supplying future aid to Pakistan so that the latter's nuclear ambitions are thwarted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Government have repeatedly urged the US Government to use its influence with Pakistan and available means under US laws such as the Symington and Glenn

Amendments of the Foreign Assistance Act to deter Pakistan from pursuing a nuclear weapons option.

(b) The US President certified in October, 1986 that Pakistan does not possess a nuclear explosive device and that US assistance significantly reduces the risk that Pakistan will possess it. The US Government claims to have clarified to Pakistan that the provisions of US security assistance require Pakistani restraint in its nuclear development programme.

(c) Government have expressed India's grave concern over the non-peaceful dimensions of Pakistan's nuclear programme, particularly in the light of recently published statements by high representatives of the Pakistani Government. It has been pointed out that US security assistance has not been a restraining factor on Pakistan. In view of the grave regional and international repercussions of Pakistan acquiring nuclear weapons, Government have impressed upon the US Administration to take all necessary steps to prevent this development.

Import of printing machines by M/s. Traders Pvt. Ltd., Bombay

1608. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1646 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 10th March, 1987 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that M|s. Traders Pvt. Ltd., Express Towers, Nariman Point, Bombay had imported 14 printing machines from Taiwan under O.G.L. during policy period A.M. 1984-85;

(b) whether it is also a fact that this import was in violation of relevant import policy and whether the Actual User condition was complied with; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that the above imported printing machines were meant for printing the editions at Ahmedabad, Baroda and Rajkot but actually they were installed at Bangalore by the Indian Express (Madurai) Pvt. Ltd and at Hyderabad by 'Andhra Prabha' Pvt. Ltd., if so, what action is being taken for violation of ITC Act?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) to (c) The matter will be investigated and the findings will be laid on the Table of the House.

Export of 'Q' Mark Engines

1609. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 'Q' mark engines are being exported in a considerable magnitude; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard for the last three years and the quantum of foreign exchange earned thereby?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) and (b) Engines are being exported from India. No separate figures of export are, however, being maintained by the Ministry of Commerce, in respect of 'Q' mark engines.

Textile Mills in Orissa

1610. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of textile mills in Orissa;

(b) what is the number of mills under the private management and those under the control of National Textile Corporation;

(c) whether there is any development scheme in respect of textile mills situated at Choudwar and Cuttack; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) and (b) The number of textile mills in Orissa is 12.